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For: FLUID BED GRANULATION PROCESS AND APPARATUS

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR §1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Pursuant to the Duty to Disclose under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, the reference cited on the accompanying form PTO/SB/08A is hereby brought to the attention of the Examiner for independent evaluation. A copy of the foreign language reference is enclosed. The reference was cited during examination of a corresponding Chinese patent application.

The submission of the listed document is not intended as an admission that any such documents constitute prior art against the claims of the present application. Applicant does not waive any right to take any action that would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove any listed document as a competent reference against the claims of the present application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the listed document be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of form PTO/SB/08A be returned in accordance with MPEP §609.

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Certification

This Statement is being filed prior to the issuance of the first Office Action for the present application, and this paper is thus submitted in accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(b).

In view of the above certification, a fee is not required for consideration of this document. Nevertheless, should a fee be deemed to be due by the Commissioner, such fee should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Respectfully submitted,

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